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Geary:-

Find enclosed a picture of one of my cars, with the license which I told you about--special issue--by state for WUMS.
If WUMS is so illegal please explain this.
No other license is required on my car. I have it now transfered to Ford, as planning on trip thru West next month for a month or so, and all radio gear will be in it.
Keep this picture in your files, for it is todate the only one that I've ever sent out. Knowing that you have always heard WUMS and reports been "tops", thought this also be of interest for your files.

International Reply Card to Sibrisky has todate brought no answer. So still at loss on the extra special verie for you.

Also asked him to try and get "test" sometime with some friend in San Marino. Its possible that he may send over a group of reports to be mailed like he did several years ago, which caused the "stir" in QST and CQ magazines. Time alone will tell. Expect he only get to mail these to me, when he is someplace where he can send out "QSL" cards; that why he sent about 80-100 Amateur QSL cards that time for me to forward. Remember it cost me several $$$ in USA to mail them--and all I got was thanks, but from tests and QSL he gets--its worth knowning him.

All for now. What you think about NRC. Afraid with Magner dropping this duties (and we know he had the load), that it may fold up or become a second rate club.

Writing this letter while waiting for phone call from WCMI-FM, as phoned them a little while ago; as they deleted FM ---definite or temporary not known---and I want to buy their FM transmitter if for sale and install it here. There is another semi-local group going to file for AM license soon (daytime); possible that I may take some stock, but I'd rather have FM license myself outright.

73's

Thomas.

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Dear Geary:-

Just a short note, and enclosed section of the URDXC. Do not know if you take his bulletin or not, I've been a member for years (1935) I started if I remember right.

Starting new section on SPACE SIGNALS and Radio Astronomy, I expect to give a prize to one giving the most valuable data, each year for a while.

Do not know if you are interested in this stuff or not, I tinker with it a little. Interesting but poor (or rather) excellent waste of time, for spend hours and hear nothing and when you do, what do you hear- still nothing you can tell about, and much less verify.

Tunned to WEATHER SATALLITE now, but after several hours of silence, get a few "beeps" and then hours again before a few more "beeps", and what have you- just note on paper time, and "beeps" heard-- and that all.

The one marked in bulletin, I think is another hoax.

Now about 1-5 test. IF YOU GET A VERIE OR A LETTER YOU MAY RECEIVE IT POSTAGE DUE, for the USA may not recogonize the stamp afixed, if it is ever sent. I am looking forward to mine also-for there will be 3 mailed (I hope) sometime. The stamps are not legal in USA postage. So if they get thru there will be 3 rare postage for a stamp collector.

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Your stamp is being returned, for it will be of NO VALUE in this case what-so-ever, and you may need it, when the verie arrives (if it does), should it come on thru with postage due. If comes thru with this stamp, you and I will have something--no other, yes be one other too-- will ever have. (Let's keep our fingers crossed and hope we get them).

My letter to Pyongyang was returned marked "NO SERVICE" by the USA postal department, so remailed it to CHINA, and hoping for forward from there. (Via Peking).

I read your report on station, with much interest. I've never known you to make anything but accurate report, and how you got such a signal, readability, and s/strength is beyond me- for only one other person heard it in North America and that was tentative, but still enough to be OK, besides myself. These tests were known to some of "top" DXers in North America, so I guess this seperated the DXers, from the Super-DXers and put a few of us in a class by ourselves. Reminds me of the ZJJ DX a few years ago- I never even heard it, yet Kirk 40 miles from here copied him (as well as WUMS) solid. On 2 way test ooo.

All from here.

Thomas.

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You may also get, either diret from here, or with the letter, (with rare postage stamp on it- if get thru) a picture which will verify WUMS also. Not in words, but the STATE OF OHIO is issuing me, for my car a special license- no other license will be needed-- with this car license plate---- RADIO WUMS Ohio 1959.

If WUMS is illegal according to FCC, I wonder what they will think, if the State as now planning on doing, and if they do, will have this for my car March 31, will think. The STATE sends me (I hope this special tag and OK's WUMS as legal) and FCC says there "Han't no such".

David.

This STATE WUMS license is tentative but looks good at this date. If once issued, and received here by April 1, will photograph the car with these tags on it and them either mail direct to each person who has heard WUMS over the years, or may forward it on and have it enclosed in special postage letter, to other two who heard 2-5 test, so as to confuse he FCC still more. (hi).

WUMS

Arrived home late Friday night, found many cards and mail in the box, so will write you a line, to come with the regular annual letter exchange.

DX been almost nil here, due to poor DX schedules (on graveyard frequencies and all nighters),plus work.

However here is a tip. There were 4 tests and three have been run and the final one for the year is JANUARY 5th. MONDAY. 2:55-3:10 a.m. EST. 10 watter on 1605 kcs. Be all c.w. and carrier--no voice will be used.

Expect you read about NIBI-NIBI hoax. I explained in letter to NNRC the full thing, which may appear next month. There was a fabled island given the name NIKI-NIKI in satire about 1903 and critics laid the story on the old island of VAVAU. The story was based in Polynesian group, and when this appeared, I already hada letter addressed to SOCIETY ISLAND station, so I told Fred that I had tentative report to them. I guess that finished up the affair. However, in the letter I asked and set-up a DX test schedule with their station, if they were interested, but due to length of time in mail service , as take months to exchange letters) the tests were given and set up ---unconfirmed for sure. I expect in about 6 months I'll hear from the letter and the station. There were several set-up on these atolls for special tests on 10-12-58 when there was eclipse of the Sun down there. HIGH ADVENTURE will show some of these islands and atolls on the next show. Try to see it. I had planned on being down there, but death of my father, moving and work made this impossible. Hope to be with the eclipse expedition October 2 1959 which will run from Eastern New England across the ocean and across Africa. Should be some interesting tests on that date.

Good luck on 1-5-59 if you are around the radio.

Never see much in bulletins from you anymore. Still DXing or like me, giving up the hobby and letting the all-nighters and the non-verifiers have it.

Thomas.

The old Vavau is now supposed to be BORA BORA tho some claim it is Tihiti. Whereever it was it was in the Society Group and this is where the eclipse stations were.

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Geary:-

OK on c.w. test. Those tests seperates the DXers from the so-called and ever-day run of the mill DXer. I'll know later how well it was heard, but todate only 2 USA and one Canadian heard any of them.

If you have old April 1954 copy of QSL handy could read up on some questionable xx things which takes place.

I'll quote from pages 55-56.
"Did you receive one of those Ohio-mailed Iron Curtain 50 MC listener cards. Quite a bunch hit the 6 meter band, etc.etc. for reception dates 1947-1949.....
All were mailed from Proctorville, Ohio but addressed in the handwritting of the sender, Sibirsky, who has also recently been up to some strang business in hard-to-get QSLs from rare DX countries behind the Iron Curtain....

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Be sure and see High Adventure Monday night by L. Thomas Local time here 10-11 P.M.. That will solve the Nibi-Nibi hoax. The island they were on was: PUKA PUKA. Think I explained this to you in last letter tho. I sure want my letter to them down there for the eclipse radio tests, data and power on others and all comments answered. Expect be spring before I hear tho. (Expect letter if he ever gets it will come from Mr. Frank Bateson).

Ever go in for Radio Astronomy?

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After hearing SPUTNIK I and LUNIK (moon rocket) (hope it QSLS) I'm interested some in it.

I had planned on, and tentative ordered new RACAL receiver--- supposed to be the world's best---and I believe it. Makes the Collins, and the others look like FORDS vs Cadillac's. At radio show in Washington; and Canadian Government is replacing all their receivers with RACAL.

However, with the new space tunning, I'm going to go into vuhf and radio astronomy- 100 mc/s, and that stuff. ONE BIG REASON for the complete loss of interest in broadcast is those ~~[illegible]~~ all nigaters. Then ½ of what you hear don't even verify. ~~Many of~~ verics are sloppy, (small % in this class), but lack of answers, coolness of stations to reports anymore, all show a losing game- along with 10 new ones on the air for ever one you catch. Complete chaos bron 540-1600 kcs.

Sometime when you write, you can send the c.w. report down, but will get you one rare cards, (I hope) in due time. Hope to contact Sibirsky again sometime (you see this is dangerous game, could be prison or death along with the fun) and I hope to line up a c.w. test with SAN MARINO sometime thru him. To late this year now to get this one set-up. I sure have some unusual US and the like here; and some that he sent me for forwarding sure were unusual.

Montserrat verie in here too.
Spent some time this season on s.w. for new countries only.
Bcb to darn messed up.

Thomas.

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Kermit:-

You will find enclosed a copy of the composition you heard me play the other morning(June). Thanks for the interesting report and glad you liked the solo's. These copies were made and given out by the hundreds to many camps over the globe. A Few errors are in these copies & when I play it I always add a few runs and variations to make it more fun solo work, and which are not shown in this copy. If you play any instrument perhaps you can get some use from this copy. It has been played over AFRS, C.B.C. BBC and New Zealand National Orchestra revised it for orchestra work (heard over ZYA). So it did not cut some.

I do not understand why the NRC and UNDXC did not give this DX program any place in their bulletins or in DX calendars. Both these clubs were notified--but did not think enough of it to place it in the list. Todate only two reports have been received: Yours and Duggans down in Ga..

I believe the NRC ace DXers doubt the existance of WUMS, for on several special tests in the past they have tried to get it and always failed, while other DXers (not so hot-or rather do notclain to be so hot) get it with ease in Ill. and Conn. Do not understand why the Buffalo gang, Cooper(Dick) and Ohio members of NRC cannot get it. Since they have tried so often to get it--and failed to even get a sound--and these more DX reports come in accurate-and hundreds of miles beyond them, I believe they have concluded that "THERE HAIN'T NO SUCH" and let it go. That why members were not notified.(I may be wrong

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in this summery however).

Before any QSL will be mailed there will be time permitted to allow other reports to trickle in, so get full information before QSLs are mailed, so be sometime before you get yours. But it will be there never-the-less.

The QSL will be very unique, and I'd suggest that you not give it to much publicity (as many of them have been confiscated by FCC in past) and once one has been issued to any DXer he will never be sent another original verification, regardless of how many reports he sends in. So when you get yours better keep it, for you will never get another one. Not ever send it in for examination--if they doubt it--let them come and see for them-selves.

Power and other data will be send in the QSL and verie, but in passing we operate with 5 watts input, 3½ watts output, andon the morning you reported- we putting 2 watts in your direction- so your QSL will read(if remember figures correct) 2 watts (but that have to be rechecked before final cards are mailed).

Your report was most interesting and thanks a million for it. This letter is not a verification letter of WUMS, for the QSL is far different than this type letter- this just little personal one, with some data and thank you for comments on piano solo's.